

The Christiansburg Connection

Newsletter for the Town of Christiansburg

September/October 2023



SMALL BUSINESS SOLUTIONS MANAGER - Here to Help Christiansburg Small Businesses



The Town of Christiansburg is excited to share details of a newly created position designed to help current and potential local business owners.

We understand that navigating a business start-up and operations can be daunting, especially with limited resources. The Town of Christiansburg's Small Business Solutions Manager, Amanda Hebert is here to provide one-on-one assistance and counseling to help local businesses succeed. This position will provide guidance that can help bring ideas to fruition, investigate new possibilities, and solve any business challenges that arise along the way; offering comprehensive support for local small business owners to meet their unique needs. Whether you are an aspiring entrepreneur or an experienced business owner, the Small Business Solutions Division is ready to help connect you with resources to help you grow.

When our local businesses are strong and growing our community's economic state will flourish.

The Town is committed to reducing our commercial vacancies and interested in improving our entrepreneurial eco-system. With this new position, we are also preparing to introduce an innovative program that will educate small business owners, entrepreneurs, and creatives about business planning practices. The program is expected to launch in 2024, and will culminate with a pitch project to a panel of judges. The judges will then award grant funding to help kick-start new business ventures within Christiansburg. Stay tuned for more information on this program and pre-launch workshops.

Contact Small Business Solutions Manager, Amanda Hebert, for more information: ahibert@christiansburg.org, 540-382-6128 x: 1131.



PHOTO OF THE YEAR CONTEST



When you think of Christiansburg, what do you see? Is there a specific place or activity that comes to mind?

Share your response with us by entering our fifth annual Photo of the Year Contest. The Public Arts Advisory Board will select a photo of the year to hang in Town Hall. To view contest rules, visit www.christiansburg.org/photooftheyear. All photos must be submitted by **October 20 at 5 p.m.** to info@christiansburg.org.

CHRISTIANSBURG HUCKLEBERRY PARK SOFT OPENING



It's here! And **YOU** are invited!

Contractors have informed the Town that the Christiansburg Huckleberry Park is almost ready to welcome visitors.

We too, are as excited as you!

We hope you'll join us **Sept. 8** for our **soft opening and ribbon cutting at Noon**.

Afterwards, the park is yours!

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FALL CLEANUP: OCTOBER 9-20



In April and October each year, the Town offers free special collection periods for residents to place out larger items for pickup. To make it easier on collection crews, please place cleanup items within 10 feet of the street pavement and separate them from your regular trash. Please do not block ditches, gutters, sidewalks, water meters or sewer cleanouts. The Town is not responsible for any items left at or near the street that residents did not intend to have collected. Piles that do not comply with cleanup rules will not be collected. Please also separate materials by type (i.e. pile bagged leaves, tree limbs and trimmings separately). Loose leaf collection will run from November 6 to December 29. Loose materials must be placed in bags/containers not exceeding 32 gallons. Leaves must be bagged. For a full list of accepted items, please visit www.christiansburg.org/cleanupFAQ. Though special collection trucks follow regular garbage routes, cleanup may run a day or two behind trash collection schedules, depending on volume. If it is nearing the end of the cleanup cycle and your items have not been collected, please call 540-382-1151. Throughout the year, residents may also set out their brush for complimentary monthly collection. Please visit www.christiansburg.org/brush to learn more. Brush collection will not run in October as it is part of Fall Cleanup.

FALL 2023 - TOWN OF CHRISTIANSBURG SPECIAL EVENTS

Event	Date	Time	Location
Rockin' Main Street Concert Series	Sept. 9	5-9 p.m.	E. Main Street
Tackle the Tower	Sept. 9 & Oct. 7	TBA at the front desk	Aquatic Center
Fall Prevention and Safety Awareness Day	Sept. 22	9 a.m. - Noon	Recreation Center
Fall Festival	Oct. 7	11 a.m.-3 p.m.	Uptown Mall
Tony Huddleston Trout Rodeo	Oct. 7	Noon-5 p.m.	Izaak Walton Park
Fire Prevention Parade with Touch-A-Truck	Oct. 10	Parade: 7 p.m. Touch-A-Truck: 5:45-7 p.m.	E. Main Street
Shred-A-Thon	Oct. 10	3-6 p.m.	Recreation Center
Rockin' Main Street Concert Series	Oct. 14	5-9 p.m.	E. Main Street
Getting Scary on the Huckleberry 5k Race and Truck or Treat	Oct. 28	9-11:30 a.m.	Recreation Center
Town Hall-oween Trick or Treating	Oct. 31	3-5 p.m.	Town Hall

LABOR DAY

Town Hall and the Aquatic and Recreation Centers will be closed Monday, Sept. 4.

Solid waste normally collected on Mondays will be collected on Tuesday, Sept. 5.

AGING IN PLACE WORKSHOP SERIES

Sept. 21, Oct. 19 & Nov. 16
6-8 p.m.

\$5 per session

\$15 for workbook paid at first workshop you attend

(exact cash or check).

Pre-register the Thursday prior to workshop.

Christiansburg Recreation Center

The Aging-In-Place workshop series will focus on key topics that aging experts have identified as the critical factors that people should consider and plan for to successfully age in place. These topics will include housing, health & wellness, transportation, personal finance, and connection & growth. Materials, which will be provided to registered participants, have been designed to present in a group setting, with a facilitator, or can be used on an individual basis. Light supper provided.

For more information please visit christiansburg.org/parksandrecreation or call (540) 382-2349.



Aging in Place:
Your Home. Your Community. Your Choice.



Jacked O Lantern Workout | Oct. 24 at 5:45 p.m.



Join us at the Aquatic Center in the competition pool for a thrilling, high-intensity workout involving land, water & pumpkins! Beware of the burn from burpees, squats, treading water etc...all involving a pumpkin!

Those who complete the workout, take their pumpkins home!

Must be comfortable in water depth of 7ft-17ft.

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